Secl. [illegible]

Food (1945) Department.

No. SERIES.

G.O. No. 22

Dated 9th January 1946

[Despatch Abstract.]

CIVIL SUPPLIES - Pulses - Arhar and Arhardhall - Procurement from the United Provinces - Papers - Recorded.

No. L-4779/XXIXA-491/47

From

M. M. Siddiqi, Esq.,
Deputy Secretary to Government,
United Provinces

To

All Receiving Administrations.

Dated Lucknow the 18th October, 1947.

FOOD & CIVIL SUPPLIES (A) DEPARTMENT.

Sir,

I am directed to address you on the subject of resumption of despatches of Arhar and Arhar-dal to deficit areas against th quotas allotted by the Government of India under the Basic plan of Rabi Pulses for 1947-48. In consequence of the competitive buying by the nominees of deficit administrations, there was a steep rise in prices in this province and the United Provinces Government decided to temporarily suspend all exports. Prices have now dropped down to between Rs.18/- and Rs.19/- per maund for dal. The United Provinces Governments have again reviewed the whole position and come to the decision that exports should now be resumed. They have however decided to allow immediately only half of the quantity allotted by the Government of India, of which the details are as follows:-- (All figures in tons)

Recepient Administrations.	Quantity allotted by Govt. of India	Quantity which will be allowed to be exported immediately.
1. Bombay	12,000	6,000
2. Eastern States	2,000	1,000
3. Madras	15,000	7,500
4. Mysore	5,000	2,500
5. Assam	1,500	750
6. Orissa	500	250
7. Defence Services	1,000	500
8. Cochin	1,000	500
9. Bihar	2,000	1,000
10. Delhi	2,000	1,000
11. Ajmer	500	250
12. Travancore	1,000	500
	43,500	21,750

o.t.c. Quantities already moved by recipient administrations will be added to the maximum half which the United Provinces Government are at present allowing to be exported.

2. Despatches of Arhar and Arhar-dal will be on a Government to Government basis. The United Provinces Government will themselves purchase for export at a price of Rs.14/- per maund for arhar whole and Rs.18/- per maund for arhar dal. To this will be added transit charges at the rate of Rupee one per maund (to be adjusted later to the basis of the actual amount spent) cost of bags at the rate of six annas per maund, and incidental charges at the rate of eight annas per maund. Superior administration charges at the rate of eight annas per maund will also be realized. All recipient administrations should deposit in advance the estimated cost of supplies calculated on the basis of the details given above by Bank Draft with the Assistant Secretary to Government Supply Finance Department, Civil Secretariat, Lucknow. They are free to take Arhar whole, or Arhar and the price should be deposited accordingly.

3.

3. I am to emphasize the necessity of depositing the necessary charges at an early date so as to enable the United Provinces Government to make purchases and despatches without any delay.

4. In case any Administration has made any purchase in the open market which it has not yet moved, it will be allowed to move it subject to the verification of the purchase by the Regional Food Controller concerned. This quantity will have to be adjusted in the total quantity of which the immediate export is being allowed by the United Provinces Government as shown in para 1 above.

--I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

M. M. Siddiqi
Deputy Secretary to Govt.
of U.P.

...

No.L 4779(i)/XXLXA-

Copy forwarded to the Regional Food Commissioner, Government of India, New Delhi; the Regional Food Commissioner, Government of India, Esplanade Road, Calcutta; the Regional Food Commissioner, Madras and the Regional Food Commissioner, Bombay for information.

Copy also forwarded to the Director-General of Food, Government of India, Delhi for information.

Copy forwarded to all Regional Food Controllers, for information and necessary action.

M. M. Siddiqi
Deputy Secretary.

Finance (Supply) Department
No.K-4779-(i)/XXLXA-

Copy forwarded to the Accountant-General, United Provinces all Regional Accounts Officers including the Assistant Regional Accounts Officers, Agra, for information.

M. M. Siddiqi
Deputy Secretary

---Forwarded to the Secretary, Food Department, Fort St. George, Madras.

---

p.t.o.

BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES)

Subject

PULSES - Arhar - Allotment to Madras from United Provinces - Procurement - Orders - Requested.

Ref.No.D.I. 89828/47- (C.S), dated 4-11-1947.

From

C. K. Vijayaraghavan Esq., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies
N. S. Mani Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies

READ:- 1) From the Government, Telegram No.49507/47-6 Food, dated 29-10-1947 to the U.P. Government and copied to Board
2) From the U.P. Government, Letter No.4779-XXIX-A-491/47, dated 10-10-47 to All Recipient Administrations.

The Board invites the attention of the Government to the reference second cited above wherein the U.P. Government have decided that the exports of arhar and arhardhal which they had suspended temporarily in order to bring down the abnormally high prices prevailing there should now be resumed. They have however decided to allow only half of the quantity allotted by the Government of India and have stated that the despatches of arhar and dhal will be on Government to Government basis. They have stated that quantities already moved will be added to the maximum half which they are now allowing to be exported and have also permitted movement of quantities already purchased by any Administration subject to verification of the purchases by the Regional Food Commissioner concerned and that this quantity would also be adjusted in the total quantity of which immediate export is permitted.

2. According to the present decision of the U.P. Government a quantity of 7,500 tons will be allowed to Madras immediately and out of this as already reported to Government in Board's reference dated 19-9-47 a quantity of 100 tons which was already despatched to Madras and a quantity of 2714 tons said to have been purchased by the C.P. Agencies may have to be excluded leaving a balance of (7,500 - 2814 tons) - 4,686 tons. Since the U.P. Government have stated that the Recipient Administrations are free to take either Arhar whole or Arhardhal the Board considers that the quantity of 4,686 tons may be taken entirely in the shape of dhal and the cost of the stuff at the rate of (Rs.18 plus 2-7-0) or Rs.20-7-0 per maund F.O.R. amounting to about Rupees Twenty Six Lakhs may be deposited in advance by bank draft with the U.P. Government as desired by them. The Board is arranging to deposit this amount and requests immediate orders of Government in the matter.

3. Regarding the movement of the stocks said to have been purchased already by the C.P. Agencies on account of this Government, the Assistant Marketing Officer has since informed the Board by wire that they will be allowed to be moved. In their petition dated 28th October 1947 (copy enclosed) to the Board, the Central Provinces Agencies have stated that the stocks purchased by them have also been requisitioned at Rs.14 and 18 for arhar whole and dhal respectively and have requested that either the stocks may be taken over by the Assistant Marketting Officer and payment made to them or they may be permitted to offer the stocks to the U.P. Government. The U.P. Government have not made it clear whether they will permit the Madras Government to pay the contract price. In any case the Board considers it desirable to leave the

matter....

~~to leave the~~ matter to the R U.P. Government to tackle. If they permit any quantity actually purchased at the contracted rates there will be no cause for complaint. But if they insist on disposal of these stocks at the revised price of Rs.14 and 18 for arhar whole and dhal respectively which with incidentals come to Rs.16-7-0 and Rs.20-7-0 F.O.R.- the difference may have to be paid to the C.P. Agencies. The difference is, however, small being only 0-9-0 per maund in each case. No immediate action is therefore called for on this point. A further report will be submitted as soon as the detailed report promised by the Assistant Marketing Officer is received..

T.R. L. Narasimham,
for Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Food Department, Fort St. George (with enclosure).
Copy to the Assistant Marketing Officer, Government of Madras; Surana Chambers, Sadar, Nagpur
Copy to Accounts- L.III.

True copy of letter dated 28th October 1947 from the Central Province Agencies, Nagpur addressed to the Board.

Toor and Toordhal from United Provinces for Madras Government.

~~Adathya from~~

On having been informed by ~~y~~ our Adathya from Hapur that the Government of United Provinces have freezed the entire stocks of Toor and Toordhal throughout the United Provinces we hastened to bring this Development into the notice of the ~~United~~ Assistant Marketing Officer, Madras Government, Nagpur - Vide our letter No.1194/47, dated 27th inst. a copy of which is attached herewith for your ready reference.

We have also telegraphed ~~you~~ Express this morning reading:

"PRICES MADRAS COPY TO FOOD MINISTER MADRAS

UNITED PROVINCES GOVERNMENT HAVING FREEZED ENTIRE STOCK OF TOOR AND TOORDHAL ARE PREPARED PURCHASE TOOR AT PRICES RUPEES FOURTEEN PER MAUND AND TOORDHAL AT RUPEES EIGHTEEN UPTO THIRTY FIRST INSTANT AFTER THIS DATE PURCHASING RATES SHALL BE REDUCED AT EIGHT ANNAS PER MAUND EVERY FORTNIGHTLY STOP YOUR CONTRACTED STOCKS LYING WITH US STOP PLEASE TAKE DELIVERY AGAINST FULL PAYMENT ~~OR~~ OR ADVANCES BY THIRTIETH INST. OR PERMIT US TO RESELL ENTIRE STOCKS TO UP GOVERNMENT TO AVOID FURTHER APPREHEND LOSSES STOP PLEASE REPLY TELEGRAPHICALLY

CENTRAL PROVINCES AGENCES

and take this opportunity to bring home to you that having freezed the entire stocks of toor and toordhal, the U.P. Govt. have announced through newspapers that stocks of Toor and Toordhal held by the stockists could be offered to the U.P. Government for purchase at Rs.14/- per maund. Toor and Rs.18/- per maund for toordhall and this offer shall remain open till the 31st October 1947 and after this date the purchasing rates by the U.P. Government shall be reduced by annas eight per maund for toor and toordhal both every fortnightly.

In view of the announcement offers for sale should reach the Government by the 31st inst. otherwise the stockists shall have to suffer a loss of annas eight per maund every fortnightly owing to the contemplated reduction to be made in the purchasing rates offered till the 31st inst.

p.t.o.

The contracted stocks of Toor and toordhall meant for th Madras Government are lying with us in U.P. and are now supposed to be freezed along with other stocks in U.P. for reasons that necessary permits for movement out of province could not be arranged by the Madras Government.

Under the present circumstances we have to request you to please instruct your Assistant Marketing Officer at Nagpur to take delivery of the goods and make us full payment or give us advances before or by the 30th inst. without fail or please be good enough to permit us to offer the stocks to the U.P. Govt. so as to avoid further apprehended losses.

We trust on receipt of your telegram you must have instructed the A.M.O. Nagpur for making payment and also wired us of your action thereof.

Yours faithfully,
For Central Provinces Agencies
Sd/ General Manager.

Copy of Reference No.1194/47, dated 27th October 1947 addressed to the Assistant Marketing Officer, Government of Madras, Nagpur.

Sub: Arhar stocks at Hapur.

We have received information by Registered letter from our Adathya Mr. Bhavani Sahai Salg Ram of Hapur that the U.P. Govt. have freezed all our Arhar stock at Hapur and that they are compelling to sell it to the U.P. Government at Rs.14/- per maund till 31-10-1947. After this date they will reduce the price by as.8/- per mannd fortnight.

Under the circumstances please advise us what action should be taken and please inform the U.P. Government to stop further action in the matter as the stock belongs to the Madras Government.

Please therefore guide us as what action you propose to take in this direction and what should be the course of action of our representative if he is asked by the U.P. Government on 31-10-1947 to handover the stocks to them.

Your reply for necessary instructions must without fail reach us to-day so as to enable us to communicate your instructions to our agent.

We would also suggest your telegraphing the R.F.C. Hapur to this effect.

As an outcome of the present action of the U.P. Government if any losses are incurred, Madras Government shall be responsible for all these losses..

Yours faithfully,
for Central Provinces Agencies
Sd/D.B.N. Varma
General Manager.

(True copy)

Copy of Telegram

Civil Lucknow ordered immediate Resumption of Arhar exports upto half quota allotted by Foodept India AAA Quantities Purchased will be allowed to be moved and balance supplied on Govt. to Govt. basis AAA Full details submitted by Letter - Purchase.

(from the Asstt. Marketing Officer, Nagpur addressed to Board, d/1-11-47).

p.t.o.

Copy of Telegram dated 11th November 1947 --

From

"Foodsup", Lucknow

To

"CEREALS", Madras

"TK-4944/XXIXA Rfce. Your Telegram 49507-C/47 7th November Five AAA export of quantities already purchased by recepient administrations permissible - vide Para 4 of letter K-4779/XXXIXA October 18 (Stop) All such q quantities will be set-off against the minimum quantity now being released for export aaa Addressed Cereals Madras reptd. ~~Seshachari~~ Seshadri Sarma, Nagpur

---

Food Department

Endorsement No.49507-C/47-10, dated 13-11-1947.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue (C.S.) for information and necessary action.

Sd/ ** **

To the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Chepauk, Madras.

Government of Madras
Food-Department

Memorandum No.49507-C/47-9, dated 13th November 1947.

Pulses - Arhardhal. -. 4686 tons - Procurement from U.P. - Advance payment of - Board's proposals. - Approved.

From the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Reference No.DT-89828/47-C.S.), dated 4-11-1947.

In the circumstances stated in para 2 of its reference cited, the Government approve the action of the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) in having arranged for the payment of an advance of Rs.26,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty six lakhs only) to the U.P. Government for the purchase of 4,686 tons of arhardhal at Rs.20-7-0 per Imperial ~~Maud~~ Maund.

Sd/ ** **
** **

To the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies), Chepauk, Madras
To the Accountant-General, Madras through the Finance Department (with a copy of Board's Reference)
Copy to the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) Accounts Branch.

---

p.t.o.

Office of the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) Madras

Ref.No.DI. 89828/47. dated the 17th November, 1947.

From

C.K. Vijayaraghavan Esq., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras

Read: 1 From the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur Roc.47-47~~22~~, dated 22-10-1947
2. From the Asst. Marketing Officer, Nagpur Roc. 47/47-A, dated 7-11-47
3. From the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur Roc. 47/47-dated 7-11-1947.

Sub: Pulses - Arhar - Allotment to Madras from United Provinces - Procurement of - ~~Dates~~.

The Board observes that the Assistant Marketing Officer has obtained agreements for the supply of toor and toordhal from the United Provinces and the Central Provinces Agencies as follows:--

1. Agreements dated 23-8-1947 for the supply of 500 tons of toor and 500 tons of dhal from Meerut region at Rs.17-8-0 and Rs.21-8-0 per maund F.O.R. respectively.

2. Agreement dated 23-8-47 for the supply of 500 tons of toor and 500 tons of toor dhal from Lucknow and Cawnpore regions at Rs.17-8-0 and Rs.21-8-0 per maund F.O.R. respectively.

3. Agreement dated 3-10-47 to supply 500 tons of toor at Rs.17/- per maund F.O.R. from Meerut region.

The Assistant Marketing Officer states that against these agreements the C.P. Agencies have already purchased 1000 tons of toor (27,222 maunds) and 989.2 tons of toor dhall (26927 maunds) At Rs.17-8-0 and Rs.21-8-0 per maund F.O.R. respectively and 6143 maunds of toor (225.2 tons) at Rs.17/- per maund. A quantity of 100 tons of dhal of Rs.21-8-0 per maund variety is reported to have already been despatched and the rest is expected to move as soon as the U.P. Government grant the export permits. It however remains to be seen whether the U.P. Government will have any objection to the Madras Government paying for these supplies at the contract rates. In any case the quantity already purchased actually against the contracts has to be moved. The Board is explaining the position to the Government and payment may be made on receipt of their orders. The Assistant Marketing Officer is requested to report at once whether any agreement has been obtained from Ms. Chuharmal & Co. and what quantity if any has been purchased by them against their contracts prior to 23-8-1947.

The Assistant Marketing Officer is informed that he need not purchase any further quantity i.e. other than those declared to and accepted by the U.P. Government as having been purchased prior to 23-8-47, either from C.P. Agencies or from Messrs. Chuharmal & Co.

T.R.L. Narasimhan,
for Secretary.

To the Assistant Marketing Officer, Madras Government, Surana Chambers, Sadar Nagpur

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Food Department.

p.t.o.

Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies)

Subject.

PULSES - Arhar - Allotment to Madras from United Provinces Procurement of.

Ref. No.DI-89828/47-CS., dated 17-11-1947

From

C. K. Vijayaraghavan Esq., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Civil Supplies
N.S. Mani Esq., I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies

Read: Board's Ref.No.DI-89828/47-C.S., dated 4-11-1947
From the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur, letter No.C.47/47-B, dated 7-11-1947
From the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur letter C.No.47/47,A, dated 7th November 1947.

In continuation of the Board's reference first cited above, the Board submits copies of the letters second and third cited above and summarises below the position in respect of procurement of redgram and redgramdhall from the United Provinces on Govt. account.

2. As procurement of redgram and redgram dhal in the open market in the United Provinces at reasonable rates was not possible the Assistant Marketing officer, Nagpur recommended the acceptance of offers made by the Central Provinces Agencies to supply 500 tons of arhar and 500 tons of arhar dhal at Rs.17-8-0 and Rs.21-8-0 per maund F.O .R despatch station respectively in Lucknow, Cawnpur and Sitapur regions. He also suggested purchase of like quantities at the same rates through Messrs. Chuharmal & Co. from the Meerut region. The suggestions were approved by the Board on 3-8-1947. and the Government have also approved these purchases in their Memorandum No.4420-c/47-11, dated 28-8-47. As there was delay in the procurement of arhar and dhal in the Meerut region by Messrs. Chuharmal & Co. and as there was urgent need for procurement, the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur asked the Central Provinces Agencies to procure 500 tons of arhar and 500 tons of arhar dhal from the Meerut region also at the rates applicable to Lucknow region viz. 17-8-0 for toor and Rs.21-8-0 for toordhal per maund F.O.R. The Assistant Marketing Officer's action was approved in Board's telegram No.D-89828, dated 25-8-47 and a copy of it was also submitted to the Government. Contracts for these purchases have also been obtained from the Central Provinces Agencies. In his letter No.47/47, d/23-8-47, the Assistant Marketing Officer reported that the price of the whole toor was coming down in the United Provinces and suggested the purchase of toor upto 7,500 tons at rates not exceeding Rs.17-8-0 per maund F.O.R. This was also accepted in the Board's telegram dated 25-8-1947.

3. In his letter dated 7-9-1947, the Assistant Marketing Officer reported that the Central Provinces Agencies and Chuharmal & Co., were prepared to offer supplies of 500 tons and 200 tons of arhar whole respectively from the Meerut region at Rs.17/- per maund F.O.R. loading station. These offers were also accepted. The Assistant Marketing Officer has also obtained an agreement from the Central Province Agencies for the 500 tons of toor offered by them. In his letter third cited above, the Assistant Marketing Officer reports that the C.P. Agencies have purchased 33,365 maunds of arhar whole and 26,927 maunds of arhar dhal on behalf of the Madras Government, and that these stocks have been verified by the officials of the Food Department of the United Provinces Government. He further says that payment for 27,222 maunds of arhar whole at Rs.17-8-0 per maund F.O.R. against the contracted quantity of 1000 tons and payment for 6,143 maunds at Rs.17/- per maund F.O.R. against the further offer of 500 tons from Meerut region and payment for 26,927 maunds of arhar dhal at Rs.21-8-0 per maund F.O.R. against the contracted

quantity of 27,222 maunds have to be made to the C.P. Agencies. The exact quantity purchased by Messrs. Chuharmal & Co. is not known. The Assistant Marketing Officer's further report in this regard is awaited.

4. The Assistant Marketing Officer in his letter No.47/47 dated 1-8-47 did not specify that the rates of Rs.17-8-0 and Rs.21-8-0 per maund F.O.R. arhar whole and dhal quoted by the C.P. Agencies did not include Rs.0-8-0 per maund payable to the United Provinces Government towards administrative charges. The Board has already paid the superior administrative charges direct to the United Provinces Government. The total difference between the value of 33,365 maunds of toor (27,222 maunds at Rs.17-8-0 and 6,143 maunds at Rs.17/-) 26,927 maunds of toor dhal at Rs.21-8-0 per maund plus 0-8-0 per maund superior administration charges in all cases purchased through C.P. Agencies and the value of the same quantities calculated at Rs.16-6-0 and Rs.20-6-0 per maund F.O.R. of arhar whole and dhal respectively now offered by the United Provinces Government will be Rs.94,903/- if the United Provinces Government raises no objection to the payment to the C.P. Agencies at the contracted rates the Assistant Marketing Officer may be instructed to pay them accordingly. Out of the 33,365 maunds of toor and 26,927 maunds of dhal purchased the Assistant Marketing Officer has despatched 2,750 maunds of dhal only so far and he has applied for export permits for the balance. The balance may be required to be despatched immediately. The Assistant Marketing Officer is being instructed not to purchase any more quantity either from the Central Provinces Agencies or from Messrs. Chuharmal & Co. The Board requests early orders in the matter.

Sd/ T.R.L. Narasimham
for Secretary

To the Secretary to the Government, Food Department.
Copy to the Assistant Marketing Officer, Madras Govt. Surana Chambers, Sadar, Nagpur.✓

Copy of letter No.C-47/47-B, dated 7-11-1947 from the Assistant Marketing Officer, Sadar, Nagpur to the Secretary to Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Chepauk, Madras.

Sub: Pulses - arhar - allotment to Madras from the United Provinces - Procurement - report submitted.

Ref: Board's Ref.No.D.I-89828/47, dated 4-11-1947.

In para (3) of the above reference it is stated "But if they insist on disposal of these stocks at the revised prices of Rs.14/- and 18/- for arhar whole and dhall respectively which with incidental charges come to Rs.16-7-0 and Rs.20-7-0 F.O.R. the difference may have to be paid to the Central Provinces Agencies. The difference is however small being only 0-9-0 per maund in each case". I submit that the F.O.R. rate of the U.P. Government will be only Rs.16-6-0 for arhar and Rs.20-6-0 for dhall as follows:-

	Arhar	Arhar dhall
Price of commodity	14- 0- 0	18- 0- 0
Transport charges	1- 0- 0	1- 0- 0
Cost of bags	0- 6- 0	0- 6- 0
Incidental Charges	0- 8- 0	0- 8- 0
Superior Administrative charges	0- 8- 0	0- 8- 0
Total	16- 6- 0	20- 6- 0

The F.O.R. rates payable to the Central Provinces agencies are Rs.17-8-0 for arhar and Rs.21-8-0 for dhall exclusive of superior

administrative charges of annas eight per maund and inclusive of these charges the rates are Rs.18/- per maund and Rs.22/- per maund for arhar and dhall and hence the difference between the contracted rate and the U.P. Government rate is Rs.1-10-0 per maund in each case and not 0-9-0 per maund as intimated in Board's reference cited above. This may kindly be brought to the notice of the Madras Government immediately.

Full details of the despatching instructions given to the Regional Food Controllers, Lucknow and Meerut and other details have been already furnished to the Board in several copies submitted.

Sd/ ** **
Assistant Marketing Officer,
Madras, Nagpur. Government

Copy of letter C.47/47-A, d/7-11-47 from Assistant Marketing Officer, Surana Chamber, Nagpur to the Secretary to C.C.S. Chèpauk, Madras.

Pulses - arhar - allotment to Madras from the United Provinces - Procurement - report - submitted.

Board's ref. D-I-89828/47 C.S., dated 4-11-1947.

In the copy of the United Province's Government's letter furnished with the above reference the following mistakes are noticed as compared with the original letter a copy of which has been brought by my assistant from Lucknow.

i) The No. of letter is K. 4779/XXIX-A/491/47 and not 4779/XXIXA-491/47
ii) The letter is dated 18, October 1947 and not October 10, 1947
iii) In para (2) the line regarding cost of gunnies should be read as "cost of bags at the rate of six annas per maund and not "cost of bags at the rate of seven annas per maund".

According to the latest statement submitted by the Central Provinces Agencies the following quantities of arhar and dhall purchased by them have been verified by the concerned Regional Food Controllers and Certificates issued:-

Region	Place	Quantity			
		Arhar		Dhall	
		Maunds	Seers	Maunds	Seers
MEERUT	Hapur ...	5,765-00		..	
	Hathras ...	4,250-00		..	
	Agra ...	...		12,500-00	
LUCKNOW	Hardoi ...	2,000-00		--	
	Bareilly ...	3,743-00		750-00	
	Sitapur ...	17,607-00		10,927-00	
Quantity already despatched to Royapuram		...		2,750-00	
	Total	33,365-00		26,927-00	
GRAND TOTAL		60,292-00 Mds. or 2205.00 tons (at 1 ton - 27.222 mds.)			

The exact quantity purchased by Messrs. Chuharmal and Co. in Meerut Region is not yet known as they have not yet submitted a stock verification certificate. They are being addressed to expedite...

expedite the same. According to their original statement they should have purchased only 200 tons of arhar whole. Adding this to the above total, the aggregate quantity of arhar and dhall purchased by both the C.P. Agencies and Messrs. Chuharmal & Co. Meerut and Lucknow regions put together is 2,405-00 tons. The balance quota to be supplied through the United Provinces Government would, therefore be, 5,095 tons (7500 - 2,405-00).

Out of the above quantity the C.P. Agencies will have to be paid for 27,222 maunds arhar whole at Rs.17-8-0 per maund F.O.R. loading station and for the balance of 6.143 maunds at Rs.17/- only. The entire quantity of 26,827-00 mds. dhal will have to be paid for at Rs.21-8-0 per maund and payment has been already made for 2,750-00 mds. at this rate. Ms. Chuharmal & Co. will have to be paid for the 200 tons of arhar whole or for as much as they have in stock at Rs.17/- per maund.

My assistant has already contacted the United Provinces Government and he has been informed that the 7,500 tons will be supplied at 2000 tons each from the Food Regions of Meerut, Lucknow and Benares and 1,500 tons from Cawnpore Region. He is camping at Lucknow to meet the Regional Food Controller who is returning to headquarters on the 8th inst. and to obtain the export permits for the quantities already purchased and verified.

Sd/ Assistant Marketing Officer,
Government of Madras.

TELEGRAM NO.064485-D-III, dated 17th November 1947.

From "Foodsub", Lucknow To "Purchase", Nagpur

"Please Refer Govt. of India Circular Telegram No.9445 Tenth Decontrolling Pulses except Gram from Fifteenth AAA Do Not purchase Any Gram Arhar Whole or Dhall on Madras Government Account AAA Refund of Account Advance Already Made is being Applied for Separately AAA Addressed Foodsub Lucknow Repeated Purchase Nagpur Prices.

P.c. to Secretary to Government, Food Department, Lucknow.
" the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras may please be informed whether and if so what quantity has already been purchased on behalf of Madras Government
Copy to the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur (with enclosure)
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Food Department, Madras.
Copy to L.III and D.I and D.II Sections.

Post copy of Telegram
State Express
From "Purchase", Nagpur

"DI-89828/47 (dated 18-11-47) Refer Board's Reference even number dated twelfth regarding allotment of seven thousand five hundred tons U.P. Arhar and dhal to districts AAA Since India have decontrolled pulses and Purchases on Government account ordered to stop treat this distribution as cancelled aaa Despatch 1225 tons toor and 889 tons dhal already purchased from C.P. agencies as follows AAA Arhar dhall Bellary 100 Anantapur 100 Cuddapah 100 Nellore 200 Coimbatore 300 South Kanara 90 AAA Arhar whole Chingleput 125 North Arcot 200 Trichinopoly 200 Tanjore 200 Madura 200 Malabar 300 AAA All figures in tons AAA Collectors asked to wire detailed despatch instructions AAA Send R.Rs. to Collectors for sale to selected societies or dealers

Prices".

P.C. to the Assistant Marketing Officer, Madras Government, Surana Chambers, Sadar, Nagpur
Copy to the Collectors of all districts except Krishna and

in continuation of Board's Ref.No.D-I-89828/47-C.S., dated 12th November 1947. Since the Government of India have decontrolled pulses, the Board has taken steps to dispose of the stocks already purchased by it on Government account. The Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur has purchased from U.P. 1225 tons toor and 889 tons toordhal on Government account, ~~The Assistant Marketing Officer~~ and despatch of these quantities is expected to begin immediately. The Board has distributed these quantities to the needy districts as shown below:-

District	wholetoor - Tons	toordhal Tons.
Bellary		100.
Cuddapah		100
Nellore		200
Anantapur		100
Chingleput	125	
North Arcot	200	
Coimbatore		300
Trichinopoly	200	
Tanjore	200	
Madura	200	
Malabar	300	
South Kanara		90

The Collectors of Bellary, Anantapur, Cuddapah, Nellore, Coimbatore, South Kanara, Chingleput, North Arcot, Madura, Tiruchirapalli, Tanjore and Malabar are requested to select co-operative societies to whom they should sell the Rail Receipts on pre-payment of cost. If Co-operative Societies are not forthcoming for purchase of the Railway Receipts they may select other private whole-salers for the purpose. The cost of arhar whole (Red gram) and Arhar dhall (Red gram dhall) will be about Rs.18-13-0 and Rs.23-0-0 per Imperial maund respectively F.O.R. despatch station in United Provinces. They are requested to wire at once detailed despatch instructions if any direct to the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur (Telegraphic address --"Purchase Nagpur"--) for their district allotments. Action taken in this behalf should be reported to the Board urgently
Copy to Accts.-L-III, Copy to D-I(I).

Government of Madras
Food Department

Memorandum No.49507-C/47-12, dated 29th November 1947

Civil Supplies - Pulses - Arhar and arhardhal - Allotment from U.P. Procurement.

From the Board of Revenue (C.S.) Ref.No.D-I-89828/47 C.S., dated 17th November 1947.

In the circumstances reported in the Reference cited, the Government approve the proposal of the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) to instruct the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur to pay Messrs. C.P. Agencies the cost of arhar and arhardhal at the rates contracted for if the U.P. Government have no objection to such payment being made.

2. As it is likely that the prices of arhar and arhardhal in the Province would increase consequent on the decontrol of pulses, the it is presumed that there will not be any loss to the Govt. on this transaction ~~when~~ even if the sale price of the pulse is fixed adding the transport and other incidental charges to the cost price.

3. The Board is requested to arrange for the expeditious movement of the quantities of arhar and arhardhall purchased from U.P. and their sale in this province without any loss to the Government.

Sd/ ** **
To the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) Chepauk, Madras
Copy to the Accountant-General through Finance (with enclosure)
Copy to the Accounts Branch of Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) p.t.o.

BOARD OF REVENUE (CIVIL SUPPLIES)

From	To
N.S. Mani Esq., I.C.S., Secretary to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) Chepauk, Madras	The Additional Food Commissioner & Joint Secretary to Govt. of United Provinces Food Department, Lucknow, United Provinces.

Board's Letter No.L.Dis.21334-T/49(C.S.), dated 21st March 1948.

Sir,

PULSES - Moong - 5000 maunds from United Provinces - Quota surrendered - alleged loss of Rs.23,750/- sustained by the United Provinces Government - Claim for compensation.

Your letter No.K.2821.XXIX-A, dated 12-2-1949 addressed to the Assistant Marketing Officer of the Madras Government at Nagpur endorsed to the Commissioner of Civil Supplies, Madras.

From the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur, letter No.Roc.71/47, dated 1st March 1949.

I am directed to invite your attention to the reference first cited, in which the United Provinces Government have claimed compensation from the Government of Madras to the extent of Rs.23,750/- on account of the loss said to have been sustained by them in the disposal of 5,000 maunds of Moong purchased for the Madras Government as the stocks were not lifted by the Government of Madras. I am to inform you that a quantity of 5000 maunds of Moong was offered to the Madras Government by the United Provinces Government on 18-9-1947 (vide) U.P. Government's telegram No.TK-3806-XXIX.A, dated 18-9-47 to "Prices", Madras. It was ascertained from the Deputy Regional Food Controller, Cawnpore on 18-9-47 that the stocks were at Etawah, and necessary despatching instructions were furnished to him by the representative of the Madras Government (Assistant Marketing Officer at Nagpur) in his letter Roc.71/47, dated 23rd September 1947.

Even though the Deputy Regional Food Controller had agreed on 19-9-1947 to supply the stuff on F.O.R. basis, due to a change in the personnel, the new incumbant refused on 11-10-1947 to act without sanction from the United Provinces Government. This was intimated to the United Provinces Government in the Assistant Marketing Officer's letter Roc.71/47, dated 20-10-1947, and the United Provinces Government in their telegram T.K.4686/XXIX,A,574/47, dated 30-10-1947 authorised the Regional Food Controller, Cawnpore to deliver the stocks on F.O.R. basis.

The Regional Food Controller, Cawnpore who was contacted by the representative of the Madras Government on 4-11-1947 wanted clarification regarding the supply of stocks as the United Provinces Government's telegram referred to "moong dhal" instead of "Moong whole". The United Provinces Government in their telegram No.T.K.4840/XXIX-A., dated 6th November 1947 authorised the Regional Food Controller, Cawnpore to supply moong whole or dhal as per the wishes of the representative of the Madras Government. Accordingly the Regional Food Controller, Cawnpore, in his letter No.4373/20-11.R.F.C. dated 8-11-47 instructed the Deputy Regional Marketing Officer to instruct the Senior Marketing Inspector to give F.O.R. delivery of 5000 maunds moong-whole. But it will be seen from the extract of the note dated 17-11-1947 of the Marketing Assistant of the Madras Government during his camp at Cawnpore (copy enclosed) that no instructions regarding the supply were received by the Senior Marketing Inspector, Etawah from the Deputy Regional Marketing Officer till 17-11-47. Consequent on the decision of the Government of India to decontrol all pulses except from 15th November 1947, the Board in its telegram No.064485-D-III, dated 17-11-1947 informed Foodsups., Lucknow not to purchase

green gram for supply to Madras. It will thus be seen that the stocks were not procured and kept ready for despatch to Madras till 17-11-1947 when instructions for not making purchase were issued. The Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur however wired on 4-12-47 that the Regional Food Controller, Cawnpore had purchased 5,000 maunds moong on Madras Government account and wanted to know whether the stocks should be despatched and if so requested despatching instructions for the same. The Secretary to Government, Food Department, United Provinces (Foodsup, Lucknow) was therefore informed by wire on 6-12-47 that consequent on the decontrol of pulses by the Government of India, the Government of Madras were not anxious to lift the stocks said to have been purchased and that arrangements may therefore be made for the disposal of the stocks in the United Provinces itself. But in doing so, the Board neigher accepted liability on behalf of the Madras Government to reimburse the loss, if any incurred by the United Provinces Government in the local disposal of the stocks nor authorised the sale of the stocks in question by the United Provinces Government in public auction at the risk of the Madras Government.

In the circumstances, explained above, I am to disclaim on behalf of the Madras Government any responsibility for the loss said to have been sustained by the United Provinces Govt. in the disposal of the stocks in question.

N.S. Mani,
Secretary to Govern Board

Copy to the Assistant Marketing Officer of Madras Government, Surana Chambers, Sadar, Nagpur
Copy forwarded to the Regional Food Controller, Jamnagar House, New Delhi
Copy submitted to the Secretary to Government, Food Department, Madras.

Food Department.

To D.S.

Submitted for perusal.

May be lodged and added to G.O.Ms.No.22, Food, dated 9th January 1948.

** **
29-3-1949.

Note file

(Issued as Memo No.49507-C/47 -9, dated 13-11-1947)
(Issued as Endorsement No.49507-C/47-10, dated 13-11-1947)

From the Board of Revenue (C.S.) Ref.No.DI-89828/47-CS., d/17-11-
From the Board of Rev. (C.S.)Ref.No.DI-89828/47-C, d/17-11-47
From the Board of Rev.(C.S) Ref.No.DG P.C. of Telegram No.064485-DIII, dated 17-11-1947.

To A.S.

According to the reports of the A.M.O. Nagpur and the Board of Revenue (C.S.), the actual quantities of arhar and arhardhal purchased by Messrs. C.P. Agencies and Messrs. Chuharmal on behalf of this Government are 33,365 maunds of arhar, and 26,927 maunds of arhardhal or 2205 tons of arhar and arhardhal. It is presumed that Messrs. Chuharmal & Co. would have purchased 200 tons of arhar, and hence the total is 2205 plus 200 = 2405 tons of which 100 tons have already been despatched. Hence the balance to be purchased through the U.P. Government is 7,500 - 2,405 tons = 5,095 tons of arhar and arhardhal. Of the 60,292 maunds of 2,205 tons of arhar and arhardhal already purchased 27,222 maunds of arhar was purchased at Rs.17-8-0 a maund F.O.R. 26,927 maunds (or 989.2 tons) of arhardhal at Rs.21-8-0 F.O.R. and 6,143 maunds (or 225.7 tons) of arhar at Rs.~~x~~ 17-8-0 a maund, ~~The Board understands~~ and 100 tons (or 2750 maunds) of arhardhal at Rs.21-8-0 F.O.R. The Board now reports that the rates of Rs.17-8-0 and Rs.21-8-0 for arhar and arhardhal respectively do not include the superior administrative charge of annas 8/- a maund and that superior administrative charges have already been paid to the U.P. Government. The Board previously reported that if the U.P. Govt. insist on the disposal of these stocks at revised prices of Rs.14/- a maund and Rs.18/- a maund for whole arhar and arhardhal respectively, the difference that may have to be paid to the C.P. Agencies will be at Rs.0-9-0 a maund. The Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur however reports that the difference between the contracted rate and the U.P. Government rate is Rs.1-10-0 a maund and not Rs.0-9-0 a maund. The Board has reported that at this rate the differential amount that may have to be paid to the Central Provinces Agencies if the U.P. Government have no objection in the matter will be Rs.94,903/-. The Board requests orders of the Government on this point so as to enable it to instruct the Assistant Marketing Officer, Nagpur to pay the C.P. Agency at the contracted rates if the U.P. Government have no objection.

Now

It is submitted that the Board previously reported that the quantity already purchased was 2,814 Tons of arhar and arhardhal and that the balance to be purchased is 7,500 2,814 = 4,686 tons, but now the Assistant Marketing Officer has reported that the quantity purchased is 2,405 maunds and the balance 5,095 tons. As the Assistant Marketing Officer has entered into agreement to pay the C.P. Agencies at the rates quoted by them, it is presumed that they will have to be paid unless the U.P. Govt. has no objections. As the pulse in question has been decontrolled, it is quite likely that the local prices will shoot up. There may not be any loss if the sale price of the pulse ~~is fix~~ in the this Province is fixed adding transport and other incidental charges to the cost price. In the circumstances reported the Board's proposal to pay the C.P. Agencies at the contracted rates involving a differential payment of Rs.94,903/- over the amount payable if the payment is based on the controlled rate, may be approved.

(Attention is also invited to the P.C. of Telegram from the Board of Revenue at p.85 c.f. The Board has already been requested separately to state what action it proposes to take to dispose of the stocks within the province as well as those lying in purchase areas outside. The Board's

report is awaited. In this connection attention is also invited to the Board's Reference at p.87 c.f. wherein allotments of arhar and arhardhal from ~~UxPx~~ U.P. have been made to the several districts. A draft Memo. is submitted for approval. below Finance may see before issue of the draft Memo.

** **

25-11-47

Finance (Accts.-B) Deptt.

(Previous Finance notes on p.2 above).

The draft Memo. below may be perused and the case A returned to Food.

** **

27-11-1947.

Food (C) Deptt.

To A.S.

Please Finance notes at 'A' above. The draft Memo. ~~max~~ below, may now issue.

** **

29-11-47

(Issued as Memo No. 49507-C/47-12 dated 29th November 1947)

To A.S.

The file relates to the procurement and movement of arhar and arhardhal by this Government from the U.P. All pulses including arhar and arhardhal have since been decontrolled as a consequence of which procurement and movement operations of this Government have also ceased. The Board in another file was asked to arrange for the necessary financial adjustments and recoveries in respect of past transactions and it is presumed that action in this regard has been taken by the Board. As no further action in this file is called for, the papers may be closed as a Ms. G.O.

** **

8-1-1948.

G.O.Ms.No.22, dated the 9th January 1948.

Civil Supplies - ~~Purchases~~ - Pulses - Arhar and Arhardhall Procurement from the United Provinces - Papers - Recorded.

(True copy)

R. Thiagarajan 28.12

Office Assistant,
Madras Record Office.

aj/8-9-~~12~~
12

BR 24/12 JL 24/12